

Partly cloudy tonight  
and Thursday.

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## Bowie Trial On; Unwritten Law Defense Basis



MRS. MARY BOWIE,  
On Trial at La Plata for Killing Hubert Posey.

## MOTHER AND SON SAY THEY SLEW FOR GOOD CAUSE

Alleged Child of Posey  
Will Appear in  
Court.

LA PLATA, Md., July 10.—Pleading not guilty, under the "unwritten law," Mrs. Mary Bowie and her son, Henry, were arraigned in criminal court here today, charged with the murder of Hubert Posey, near Indian Head, in February last, whom they allege they killed after he had wronged and then refused to marry Mrs. Bowie's young daughter, Priscilla Bowie.

It is believed that after the preliminary skirmishes between counsel are over a jury will be selected in less than a half-day, and that the trial, in all, will not consume more than three days.

### Evidence of Girl.

The feature of the trial will be the evidence of the girl herself, known as "Sis" Bowie, who is expected to go upon the stand and tell how Posey betrayed her, and then, after agreeing to right the wrong by marriage, failed on two occasions to appear for the ceremony, after the license had been procured. It will be shown that on the second failure Posey was sought by Mrs. Bowie and her son, and, being found on the roadway near Indian Head, was shot as he attempted to flee, and after again refusing to marry the girl.

### Birth of Baby.

A silent, but eloquent, witness to the girl's story will be a two-months-old infant, which she will bring to court with her, and of whom Hubert Posey is alleged to be the father.

The mother and son, it is understood, will make no denial of the killing, but Mrs. Bowie will allege that in the absence of the girl's father, who died several years ago, she but availed herself of the privilege which she believes is given parents under the "unwritten law" of avenging the honor of her home. A similar defense will be offered by the brother of the unfortunate girl, and the sentiment here at this time is that an acquittal will speedily follow.

### Unwritten Law Precedents.

The two Bowies are represented by Congressman Sidney Mudd and State Senator Adrian Posey, who is a distant relative of the murdered man. The Commonwealth is represented by State's Attorney L. Allison Wilmer. It is said that Attorney Wilmer has expressed the belief that it will be difficult to secure a verdict of murder in view of the precedent set by the Loving trial, the Strother trial, and other trials of similar nature in surrounding jurisdictions.

\$4.40 to Philadelphia

and return via Pennsylvania railroad, July 13 to 15, good to return July 15 to 17. See ticket agents.—Adv.

## WOMAN SLAYER FAVORED

Mrs. Bradley Freed  
From Jail Temporarily.

Goes From Cell to  
Hospital For Operation.

From the echoing floors and clanging corridors of the District jail to the calm and quiet and the cool, white wards of Providence Hospital is the change in surroundings that will be given tomorrow to Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, who killed Senator Arthur Brown of Utah.

Acting on a communication from Warden Harris, of the District jail, and reports from Dr. Shute, the jail physician, and Dr. H. L. E. Johnson, who was called into consultation on the case, Justice Wright, of the District Supreme Court, today authorized the warden to remove Mrs. Bradley to the hospital for an operation which, the physicians say, is imperative for the preservation of her health and strength.

### For Internal Disorder.

According to the present arrangements, she will be taken from the jail to the hospital tomorrow, and the operation, which is for an internal disorder, will be performed within the next few days. She will probably be in the hospital for at least a month.

Instead of the rude canvas bed, the rasp of heavy locks, the food placed through from bars to her, and the nerve-racking din, all of which was her portion in the jail, this frail little woman will have about her the noiseless step of the trained nurse, tempting delicacies served on snowy damask, the ministrations of several physicians, and absolute peace. Almost a wreck, nervously, Mrs. Bradley, who is a courageous woman, is thankful for the opportunity for the operation, as it will be the means of restoring her strength and preparing her for the ordeal of her trial October 7 next.

### Defense Will Be Insanity.

When she goes on trial, her defense, according to her counsel, the firm of Wells, Hoover & Wells, will be insanity. Justice Wright, in signing the order for the removal to Providence Hospital, sent the following communication to Captain Harris, warden of the United States jail:

"I have your communication of July 7, together with the inclosures pertaining to the statement of the physical condition of Mrs. Annie M. Bradley. You are hereby authorized to remove her to the Providence Hospital, in accordance with the request of your letter, not forgetting, however, that she will still continue in your custody as warden of the jail."

### Attorney's Communication.

This action was based upon a communication sent to Captain Harris from Mrs. Bradley's attorneys, which states: "In relation to Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, who is confined in the United States jail, we beg to advise you that we had Dr. H. L. E. Johnson call on her on Wednesday last for the purpose of making an examination, in order to determine what operation, if any, was necessary on account of her present condition of health. Dr. Johnson reports to us that it is imperative that an operation be performed at the earliest possible date, and suggested that we take such steps as may be possible to make arrangements for her transfer to the Providence Hospital, where he will perform the operation. Knowing that you have had our client under your care during the whole time she has been in jail, and being fully cognizant with her physical condition, we would appreciate it if you would make a statement to the warden in regard thereto."

### Physician's Report.

To Captain Harris, Dr. Shute, the jail physician, made the following report as to Mrs. Bradley's condition: "Some weeks ago, at your request, I had occasion to make an examination of Mrs. Bradley, with a view of ascertaining her present physical condition. I found that she had a badly lacerated cervix, which I thought ought to be operated upon. I still am of the opinion that this operation would very materially improve the health of Mrs. Bradley. As you are aware, we have no facilities in the jail for performing a serious or important surgical operation, and if this operation is to be performed it ought to be done in some hospital. I respectfully call your attention to the inclosure from the attorneys of Mrs. Bradley."

### Letter From Harris.

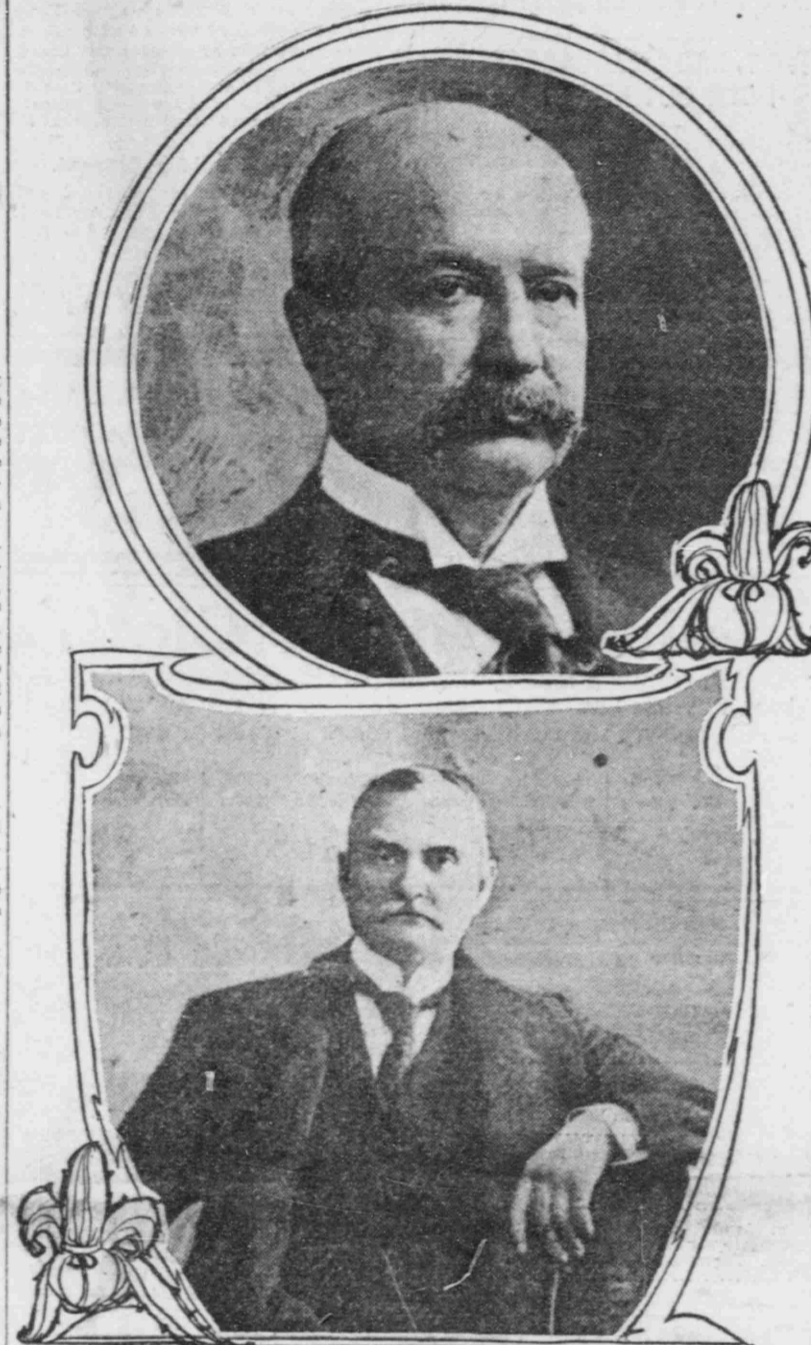
A letter from Captain Harris to Chief Justice Claiborne reads as follows: "I beg to forward you statements of Wells, Hoover & Wells, attorneys for Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, together with a statement of Dr. D. K. Shute, physician to the jail, relative to Mrs. Bradley's physical condition, and to ask, if it is in accordance with your views that I may remove Mrs. Bradley to the Providence Hospital, of this city, for the purpose indicated in the statements herein inclosed."

Mrs. Bradley, it is said, feels encouraged by the news that Gaston Philip was admitted to bail, but as she knows no friends in Washington who would be willing to furnish collateral for her appearance when wanted, it is said that it is hardly likely that her attorneys will make any effort to obtain the release.

In view of the fact that she is poor and unable to procure a large sum as bail, it is thought that not more than \$10,000 would be asked, in the event that a petition for bail be presented.

## TOBACCO TRUST TRIAL FOR LIFE

P. A. B. Widener, High Combine Official



THOMAS F. RYAN,

One of Leaders in Tobacco Trust Who Is Included in the Charges of Conspiracy to Monopolize.

## HEAVILY FINED; SHORTAGE FOUND IN BERRY BOXES

Henry J. Rice Pays \$150  
on Two Separate  
Charges.

After a bitter arraignment of the man who would deliberately attempt to defraud the public, Judge Kimball this morning fined Henry J. Rice \$150. Rice was charged with selling strawberries in boxes with raised bottoms.

There were two separate charges against Rice—one for selling berries by short weight and the other of failing to comply with the standards set by law. Leo S. Schoenthal, who appeared as the prosecuting witness, said that he had bought boxes of berries from Rice's store, at 366 Louisiana avenue, and had discovered that they were fully 20 per cent short of the amount required by the Bureau of Standards, because of raised bottoms.

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## THE WEATHER REPORT.

The weather continues generally unsettled and showery east of the Rocky mountains, except from the lake region eastward, and temperature conditions also show little change.

There will be showers tonight or Thursday in the upper Ohio valley and western lower lake region, and on Thursday in the South generally. In the eastern lower lake region and the middle Atlantic States the weather will be partly cloudy.

Temperature changes will be unimportant. The winds along the middle Atlantic coast will be light to fresh and variable, becoming southwesterly; on the south Atlantic coast light to fresh and mostly southwesterly; on the east Gulf coast light and variable, becoming southerly; and on the lower lakes light to fresh and mostly southwesterly. Steamers departing today for European ports will have fresh winds, mostly west to southwest, with partly cloudy weather to the Grand Banks.

SUN TABLE.  
Sun sets today.....8:23 p.m.  
Sun rises tomorrow.....4:43

TIDE TABLE.  
High water today.....8:23 p.m.  
Low water today.....2:38 p.m.  
High water tomorrow.....8:27 a.m.; 8:59 p.m.  
Low water tomorrow.....2:44 a.m.; 3:16 p.m.

HARPERS FERRY, W. Va., July 10.—Potomac muddy and Shenandoah clear.

## NAVAL ACADEMY CONDITIONS BAD, BOARD REPORTS

Radical Changes Suggested by Wainwright  
to President.

Many things are radically wrong at the Naval Academy and revolutionary changes in the course of instruction have been strongly recommended by the Wainwright board, which was appointed specially by the President to investigate conditions and figure out how improvements can be made. The report has been forwarded to Oyster Bay with the approval of the Navy Department.

### Sea-Going Officers Wanted.

The board recommends that the six departments be consolidated into three; that more sea-going officers be placed in responsible positions in the faculty; that more practical and less theoretical knowledge be pounded into the heads of the midshipmen; that less rhetoric and literature and more practical knowledge of handling men and ships be taught; that no more graduations be made under four years; that the study of electricity as a necessity to handling guns and turret mechanism be declared paramount to engineering, and a special department be created for this study alone; that the present text-books in mathematics be obsolete and new books should be written; that a department of physical training should be established that the civil authorities of the State of Maryland and city of Annapolis be prevailed upon to extend better moral protection over the average 300 boys who enter the Academy from the training schools in the Maryland capital, adjacent to which the moral and social influences are demoralizing to a future naval official personnel.

### Stir in Naval Circles.

The report of the board, about which there has been much secrecy, has caused a stir in naval circles since becoming known. The board was appointed early in June on a special order of the President, who suspected there was something wrong at Annapolis, and he wanted to know what it was. It was held that the course of instruction, which had never been so generally revised as now recommended, was scarcely up to any modern standard, to com-

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## Order to Crush Giant Combine Asked by U. S.

Scores of Big Companies Merged Into One  
Made Defendants in Federal Suit  
Charging Monopoly of Trade.

NEW YORK, July 10.—Suit was begun in the district court for the Southern district of New York today for the dissolution of the American Tobacco Company, known as the Tobacco Trust.

The court is also asked to appoint a receiver for the concern.

The petition declares that the trust has encompassed the entire world and says that through the acquirement of foreign interests and combinations it will absolutely monopolize the tobacco business of the world, unless relief is at once granted.

### TREMENDOUS GROWTH OF CORPORATION.

The recital of unfair trade methods, oppression, ferocious competition, deception, fraud, and conspiracies by which it is charged that the trust has grown since 1890 from a capitalization of \$25,000,000 to a corporation whose total assets now exceed \$275,000,000, turns a new leaf in the history of American commercialism.

The action is against the American Tobacco Company, Imperial Tobacco Company, British-American Tobacco Company, American Snuff Company, American Cigar Company, United Cigar Stores Company, and fifty-nine other corporations, and twenty-nine individuals connected with them, and is brought under the Sherman anti-trust law.

This is the climax to a year and a half of untiring investigation by the experts of the Bureau of Corporations, and the Department of Justice.

### PETITION RECITES ORIGINAL MANIPULATIONS.

The petition shows the original manipulation of scores of created, acquired, and controlled corporations, utilized as agencies to accomplish the general design; the progressive absorption and elimination of competitors and destruction of formidable opposition; and the entry by defendants into various departments of manufacture and trade, domestic and foreign, in tobacco products, with intent to monopolize and the actual monopolies acquired.

It is declared that 75 per cent of the total annual production of 800,000,000 pounds of tobacco is purchased by the American Tobacco Company and its associates and allies, at prices unlawfully influenced by the combination against them; also that the trust manufacturers, sells and distributes more than 80 per cent of the smoking and plug tobaccos, 95 per cent of the snuff, 80 per cent of the cigarettes; 75 per cent of the small cigars, 95 per cent of the licorice product; 80 per cent of the tinfoil products, and from 10 to 15 per cent of the cigars and stogies, and that it is rapidly acquiring control of the ordinary agencies, wholesalers, and retailers.

### Methods of Monopolizing.

According to the petition, the general plan of monopolizing the different branches of the industry has been to acquire through one of the confederated companies the business of successful opponents taking from owners and managers agreement not thereafter to engage in the business; to drive out other opponents by destructive competition; to deter any who might wish to engage in the trade and finally to gain control of the agencies through which tobacco products are distributed. A favorable trade method was to cause a corporation secretly controlled, to advertise itself as wholly independent and free from association with trusts and combinations, to offer its goods below cost, to imitate competing brands and in these ways to use the same for destruction of real independents.

Efforts of the Americans to enter the foreign field in 1901 resulted in the organization in Great Britain of the Imperial Tobacco Company and a fierce trade warfare. This was ended a year later by the organization of the British-American Company, one-third of the stock being held by the Imperial, and two-thirds by the American company. The Imperial agreed to refrain from doing business, except to purchase leaf in the United States and the American trust to confine its operations to the United States, their dependencies and Cuba. The British-American Company was given absolute control of the trade and commerce in other countries.

"This division has been strictly observed," says the petition, "and these, with their allies and associates, have all been operated in concert and harmony."

### Control of Retail Field.

In 1901 the trust spread out in the retail field by secretly acquiring control of the United Cigar Stores Company. In summing up the accomplishments of the trust, the petition says: "They (defendants) have already driven out most opponents, and have obtained such power in combination that the few established competitors must conduct their business in the well-grounded fear of swift destruction, whenever defendants may decide to eliminate them; and the more withholding or withdrawing of their numerous brands from any tobacco dealer—jobber or retailer—would probably render his success impossible. The opportunities for any new competitors are constantly being closed by defendants; the agencies for distribution are rapidly coming under their undisputed control."

In its prayer for relief the Government asks the court to adjudge illegal the holding of stock by any of the defendant corporations in another defendant corporation under the circumstances shown in the petition; to enjoin the holding company from exercising any right or control over any such shares of stock; also that the Imperial and the British-American Tobacco companies be enjoined from engaging in interstate or foreign commerce within the jurisdiction of the United States.

### Defendants Named in Bill.

The defendants named in the bill, in addition to those already mentioned, include:

Thomas F. Ryan, the Dukes, Lorillard, and P. A. B. Widener, and the

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TODAY'S Temperature	
2 PM	93
1 PM	93½
12 M	93
11 AM	89
10 AM	87
9 AM	85
8 AM	82